



# **NRS&NMHPC**

Newton Regis, Seckington and No Man's Heath Parish Council

*Three villages, one community*

## **No. 225**

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2017  
No Man's Heath Village Hall

**Present:** Cllr D Waithman (DW) (Chairman)  
Cllr D Cox (DC) (Vice-Chair)  
Cllr S Wilson (SW)  
Cllr D Davies (DD)  
Cllr R Thirlby (RT)  
Mrs N Allton (Clerk) (NA)  
2 x Parishioners

### **The meeting commenced at 7:40pm**

- Action**
1. **Apologies for Absence:** County Cllr. D. Parsons (DP) , PC Kim Stafford (KS)  
**Not Present:** Borough Cllr. D Humphries (DH), Borough Cllr. P Davey (PD),
  2. **Police Items** – No one present. Email from PC Kim Stafford - If you could pass on to the parish council that we have made 'cross border crime' as one of our priorities for the next 3 months in response to the recent rise in crime in the area. We are working with local agencies and other police forces to gather intelligence in respect of cross border criminal activity and we are increasing our patrols to the area at key times of the day and night.
  3. **Open Forum-** Mr and Mrs Dixon are concerned about their boundary wall. It needs repairs at the top, but may need additional work in the section that is below the water level of the pond. The owner of the pond (the Parish Council) may have responsibility with regard to repairs below the water line. The wall is in the Conservation Area and is listed. Once the pond maintenance takes place and the pond is drained, a more thorough assessment of the wall can take place. DW to ascertain which planning regulations will apply. **DW**
  4. **Declarations of interest** – Cllr. Waithman declared an interest in Item 7i).
  5. **Minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting** –Minutes of meeting 224, held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2017 were approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman.
  6. **Matters Arising:-**
    - a) **Village flower tubs** – SW and DW have planted flowers in the new tub. DC agreed to keep it watered.
    - b) **Village Hall Carpark Signs** – Installed.
    - c) **Loose Cover in VH carpark** – inspected by BT – will be mended eventually. Cordon placed around it.
    - d) **Kings Lane Traffic Calming** - Clerk to write to DP to check if funds are available.
    - e) **Litter Pick** – information placed in News and Views. **Clerk**
  7. **Planning matters: proposed development sites, recent decisions.**
    - a) **Applications:**
      - i) **PAP/2017/0222 – St. Marys Grove, Newton Regis – Demolition of bungalow and replacement with 2 new bungalows.** – no objections.
      - ii) **PAP/2017/0163 – Old Post Office, Newton Regis – re-consultation.** – no objections.
      - iii) **PAP/2017/0252 – South Fork, NMH – 2 storey rear extension.** – no objections.
      - iv) **PAP/2017/0260 – Newton House – complete refurbishment and replacement of outbuildings with new build** – no objections in principal. NWBC to deal with this application under listed building regulations.
      - v) **PAP/2017/0260 – Newton House – Listed building consent**– no objections in principal. NWBC to deal with this application under listed building regulations.
    - b) **Determined: None**
  8. **Financial matters:**
    - i) **bank balances, cheques for signature, cheques raised since last meeting & expected bills.**

## DRAFT - NOT YET AGREED

○ <b>General Account</b>	<b>£368.65</b>
○ <b>Playing Field Account</b>	<b>£288.61</b>
○ <b>Deposit Account</b>	<b>£5,230.12</b>
○ <b>Reserve Account</b>	<b>£5,502.99</b>

**£11,567.32**

### ❖ Cheques for Signature:

○ 27.6.17 Cllr. D Waithman – flowers for tubs	£32.95
○ 27.6.17 Sure Track Ltd – Tracker renewal	£144.00
○ 27.6.17 M Draper – Field Maintenance June and July	£260.00
○ 27.6.17 Cllr. S Wilson – Tractor diesel	£245.40
○ 27.6.17 Cllr. D Waithman – wood and stain for bench	£26.74
○ 27.6.17 N Allton – Stationery and printer ink	£30.48
○ 27.6.17 P&D Environmental – Sediment analysis duck pond	£480.00
○ 27.6.17 NMH Village Hall – Room Hire	£15.00

### ❖ Cheques raised / payments since last meeting:

○ 11.5.17 Nuneaton Signs – carpark signs	£122.40
○ 19.5.17 JMG Amenity – Moss Treatment	£312.00
○ 24.5.17 JMG Amenity – Weed Treatment	£504.00
○ 31.5.17 N Allton – Clerk's Salary May 17	£176.78

### ❖ Cheques / Monies Received since last meeting

○ 9.5.17 Interest	£0.39
○ 25.5.17 Newton Regis Village Hall – Field Rent	£60.00
○ 25.5.17 Thistle Bowls Club – Field Rent	£60.00
○ 25.5.17 Tamworth Cricket Club – Field Rent and Maintenance	£520.00
○ 25.5.17 Austrey Junior Cricket Club - Field Rent and Maintenance	£370.00
○ 10.6.17 Newton Regis Tennis Club - Field Rent	£60.00

**ii) Add Richard Thirlby to signatories and remove Craig Vincent from signatories on Lloyds Bank account – mandate signed by DW and SW.**

## 9. **Playing Field / Village Hall**

**i) Mower** – existing bottom blade of Atco mower to be sent to Garfitts of Sheffield at end of season to as a pattern for them to make a new one. Cylinder sharpening to be carried out by Richard at Appleby Magna.

**ii) Jnr CC – Shed** – Agreed the CC can install a shed behind the cricket nets to store their wicket cover.

**iii) Glass on playground** – Clerk has written to VH Booking Secretary to be reminded that glass bottles should be kept indoors. DC to make VH Committee aware of the incident. **DC**

**10. Duck Pond Report / Cleaning** – A quote for a complete service to empty and de-silt the duckpond received from P&D Environmental for £4895.74+VAT. See also Item 3.

**11. B5493 Lay-by at Seckington** – CCTV Sign – not known who installed it, but there appears to be a reduction in litter.

**12. Public Footpath exit onto Austrey Lane** – Clerk met with Debbie Poynton of WCC Traffic and Road Safety Group. Agreed that the exit on to the bend could be unsafe. Agreed WCC will fund two slow markings to be marked on the carriageway on the approach from both directions of the public footpath. Clerk has written to Mrs Beeson to update her.

**13. Garden Store, Newton Regis** – Clerk to write to Nigel Coombs and thank him for the flower barrel. **Clerk**

**14. Playground Inspections** – Borough Council only inspect weekly. All agreed to move inspections to a weekly rota. DC to liaise with VH and notify the Parish Council if an event where glass may be a problem occurs, then an extra inspection to be carried out. **DC**

**15. Flower Tub – Newton Regis** – Barrel donated by Garden Store. SW to find out who maintains the Kings Lane tub. The Parish Council will plant the tub if a volunteer can be found to maintain it. Mrs Oxford kindly volunteered to maintain tubs at the Village Hall. DW to buy plants. DC to maintain Lime Grove tub. **SW**  
**DW**

**Seckington** – SW has sourced wooden sleepers to construct tubs. 15 sleepers at approx. £20 each + cost of construction. SW to order sleepers and residents to get an agreeable quote for construction work. All agreed to spend on this project. **SW**

**16. Broadband in Seckington** – Installation of fibre box imminent in Hangman's Lane.

## 17. **Correspondence :**

❖ **letter sent to Mr Vincent – thank you for service on the Parish Council.**

❖ WCC – Think Carer Awareness Poster

❖ NWBC – PAP/2017/0260+0261 Newton House notification of planning application

- ❖ Lloyds Bank – Information about Financial Services Compensation Scheme
- ❖ South Staffs Water – Deregulation of the water industry – agreed that the Village Hall supply will stay with SSW at this time.
- ❖ NWBC – Dordon Neighbourhood Plan Notification

**18. Business, which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered as a matter of urgency under section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972.**

- a) Resignation accepted from Cllr. Craig Vincent. Clerk to place Vacancy for Councillor notices on boards for 14 working days. **Clerk**
- b) DC has been approached by one of the defibrillator course attendees asking if a refresher course can be organised.
- c) DP has advised that a defibrillator and cabinet is available for No Man's Heath. Clerk to contact NMH Village Hall Committee for their views on this. **Clerk**
- d) VH Carpark over night locking – communication problems with the NWBC staff on election morning. Sorted by DW, along with weeds near the foot gate on the track.
- e) A Kings Lane resident reported to DC that there had not been an increase in litter around the new litter bin, as previously reported.
- f) Beech tree on Main Road – a branch is hanging onto the roof of the bus shelter. DW to contact Alison George to request it be removed. **DW**
- g) Local Council Award Scheme – Clerk to update the progress sheet. **Clerk**
- h) End of Year Financial Procedures Course 18 February 2018 – Clerk to book two places. **Clerk**

**19. Confirmation Date of next Meeting – Tuesday 8 August 2017 at Seckington Church at 7.30pm.**

The meeting closed at 21:05

Chairman .....  
Cllr D Waithman

Date .....